

Landscaping Code

Whitsunday Regional Council Planning Scheme 2017

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Table 9.4.5.3.1 Benchmarks for assessable development				
Performance Outcomes		Acceptable Outcomes		Comment
Landscaping Design Generally				
PO1	Development provides for landscaping that contributes to and creates a high-quality landscape character for the site, street, local area and the Whitsunday region, by: (a) promoting the character of the Whitsunday region as a tropical environment; (b) being sensitive to site conditions, natural landforms and landscape characteristics; (c) protecting and enhancing native vegetation, wildlife habitat and ecological values; (d) protecting and framing significant views, vistas and areas of high scenic quality; and (e) being of an appropriate scale to integrate successfully with development.	AO1.1	Landscaping is established on site to maintain the amenity enjoyed by people using the premises and the adjoining premises. Note – This may be demonstrated by preparing a site specific Landscaping plan in accordance with PSP SC6.4 (Landscaping).	<p>The proposed development is supported by a Landscape Intent prepared by JFP Urban Consultants. The plan incorporates extensive landscaping along Shute Harbour Road and Broadwater Avenue frontages as well as within the development. Landscaping is proposed along the full length of the western boundary to the adjoining residence.</p> <p>The tropical theme of the Whitsunday region is carried forward in the design and choice of plantings.</p> <p>The significant vistas from and over the site will be retained by the proposed landscaping which is appropriate to the scale of the development and the location.</p>
Retention of Vegetation and Topographic Features in Layout and Design of Landscaping				
PO2	Development provides landscaping that, as far as practicable, retains, protects and enhances existing trees, vegetation and topographic features of ecological, recreational, aesthetic and cultural value.	AO2.1	Existing remnant vegetation and native non-remnant vegetation is retained and integrated within the landscaping concept of new development.	The premises has been historically cleared for residential purposes. No remnant or other vegetation remains on the site.
		AO2.2	Where established vegetation is removed or damaged to make way for new development, it is replaced with vegetation of the same or similar species within the development site.	The premises has been historically cleared and landscaped for garden purposes. As depicted on the Landscape Intent by JFP Urban Consultants, the proposed landscaping has been designed to uphold the tropical aesthetic of the location, appropriate in scale to the development.
Character and Amenity				
PO3	Development provides for landscaping that protects and enhances the character and amenity of the site, streetscape and surrounding locality.	AO3.1	Built form is softened and integrated with the broader landscape by structured landscape planting.	The intent of the landscaping is to soften the built environment and create a visually pleasant building when viewed from all road frontages.